

**ABSTRACT**

A method and apparatus for management of business transactions in a computer network are disclosed. A modified hierarchical database that includes document type  
5 definition objects that represents a DTD or DTD locations are utilized. Additional objects are included to control access to data content and to provide customized analytic formats for a report generator. The hierarchical database is able to interact with one or more nodes in the communication network to transparently provide the necessary content routing without additional user input beyond the initial user setup.

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